Professor G. Robert Blakey - Appearance Before the 2014 AARC Conference

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The HSCA and the CIA: The View from the Trenches and the View from the Top

"So my position about the agency is they didn't cooperate with us, they affirmatively made an effort not to cooperate with us, and therefore everything that they told us is a lie. And all the statements in the report about cooperation, it's just false. We were had." G. Robert Blakey

In this unprecedented address, Professor Blakey reflects upon his experience as Chief Counsel of the House Select Committee on Assassinations, detailing the impact and consequences of having relied upon promises of cooperation by the CIA during that investigation. The recounting of his experiences, and subsequent realizations that his investigators were undermined by a concerted defiance of the spirit and authority of constitutional checks and balances, raises issues of continuing relevance to public interest and concern over the meaning and effectiveness of congressional oversight. These issues are significant as they relate not exclusively to our government's investigation of President Kennedy's murder, but also to today's revelations about the US Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Activities and its investigation of allegations against the CIA. These questions force us to examine our most basic assumptions about democratic accountability.

Prof. G. Robert Blakey, J.D.: An attorney and law professor. Special Attorney in the Justice Department under Robert Kennedy. Chief Counsel and Staff Director of the House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA) from 1977 to 1979.

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chief counsel and staff director of the House Select Committee on assassinations please welcome professor G Robert Blakey my written statement is up on the site for this conference you all have access to it there I'm not going to read it I assume that you can read and with the printing press people reading statements to other people surely it was made obsolete what I want to share with you are just some personal reflections about what was going on at that time that time being the Kennedy administration I was a young attorney in the organized crime and racketeering section and the day of the assassination there was a meeting in the attorney general's office about organized crime I was in that meeting and then we broke for lunch and of course we never came back again and while my memory could be wrong on this I

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remember that I was talking to the Attorney General about Sam Giancana in Chicago where I was going to go and become part of a prosecution team in that city we broke for lunch and obviously the assassination occurred and I came back to the office and I was standing next to a man named Henry Peterson who was like a mentor to me in the department he was an ex-marine and if you saw him with his shirt off he looked like a Michelangelo's David and hard like a rock as well he was standing looking at the window and he had tears streaming down his face and I thought consoling my saying well we've lost the president but we've

gained a new president there'll be continuity and he says I'm not crying because of Kennedy's death I'm crying because Johnson's president and that struck me at the time and I had in my pocket a ticket to go to Chicago find the house to move there sell the house in Washington and frankly I reconsidered the whole flight if I had gone to Chicago to work in investigating organized crime and corruption in Chicago and organized crime is responsible corruption and sometimes corruption is responsible for organized crime the mayor was daily and if I didn't have Robert Kennedy at my back with the president at his back that program just would not last and I knew that and I said why should I sell a house here and buy a house there if it's

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house here and buy a house there if it's going to be six months or so so I started looking for a teaching position which I ultimately went and that unit in Chicago lasted six months let me return I think to sometimes where you might want to think the whole thing about the assassination begins and that's the Bay of Pigs the president was very clearly told before he authorized that project that it had a high margin of success and that it would not be necessary to employ American forces naval air or otherwise that the Cubans could do it on its own the CIA Dallas etc Helms all knew that that was a lie but they expected that when the president was faced with the option of having it fail or intervening he would he would intervene so basically he was sucked into that program by misinformation from the CIA and that is an incident that needs to be put in the context of everything we do or or deal with in the context of the agency I came out of the investigation believing that the CIA had basically cooperated with the agents with us and that we could rely at least on what they told us I have since come to the belief that I was wrong but let me can sort of tell you what what happened from my perspective I came in to the committee and the committee was

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committee and the committee was negotiating an agreement with the agency for forgetting documents and I took over that negotiation and one of the things is who should get classified information should it be declassified before it's given to the committee and I took the I recognized if we had to fight over classification for a document the committee's life was not long enough to do that so what I'd ago she ated with them was that we would have people who were had top-secret security clearance and therefore it was not a declassification to give us a document that we would look at the documents and decide later in negotiation with him and if it failed not a court decided whether this particular document should be declassified and what we did is basically we could as we got closer and closer to the end of the life of the committee we had to negotiate the final report line by line and what we did basically is agree with the agency that it wasn't always necessary to know how something was learned the important significant fact was what was learned and so as we headed to the report insofar as we could do it we excluded references to sensitive sources and methods and I thought perhaps the agency would disagree with some of what we did but at least we made an effort to protect sensitive sources and methods and in that context we would have free flow of material between the agency and the committee the agency was one of the suspects in the case there's no doubt about that and at least two of the people who were

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and at least two of the people who were our researchers at the agency had been students of mine at Cornell and you've heard from them they were protect were chosen to work on the agency because both of them passionately believed that the agency killed the president and I figured if they went in with that bias they would find in all the records that they got access to everything that would confirm what their judgments were and they were were aggressive people and the person who filtered much of that was Scott is his last name Scott his first name is Scott Breckinridge who was a nice fellow and easy you can sort of talk to him and he thought that Eddie and Danny Worth young naive and aggressive and probably communists at least didn't intend Eddie's part I didn't necessarily disagree with that but it seems to me as a person who goes in who's naive will see more things than the person who's cynical and if he's aggressive what would you want a passive researcher so I was satisfied with what they did they continued to complain and it one stage Scott

made the suggestion that we would bring in a facilitator who would be assigned to the committee's everything that would be will be asked for by the committee and that meant Dan already as a practical matter would be he would facilitate finding it and making it available to it and that seemed to me to

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available to it and that seemed to me to be a good idea and Dan and Eddie told me after that is it's worse it hasn't gotten better it's worse and we were getting close enough to the final report that I paid less attention to them than I should have and that's part of what I want to talk to you about today when the assassination goes down it is the case that people who might be embarrassed by some of the investigation on both sides in the government in this focal principle now on the see CIA would tend to hide that in particular this is a one particular instance we know that Lee Harvey Oswald had contact with the d-r-e revolutionary student-directed in Spanish because it exploded in public I mean it was no question that he had it there are other situations were also was supposed to have contact with people and there's a credibility problem not whether people are lying whether their memory is good or not good and you had to make judgments about what happens there are people who say that Lee Harvey Oswald and Jack Ruby were together before the assassination and I ultimately came to credit none of those reports but putting that aside for a moment we needed to find out what the d-r-e file said and basically we asked for it never got it and we've only learned since that join Edie's incredibly was the case agent for the D re not I can't remember specifically but

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re not I can't remember specifically but I'm sure I did I asked whether there was a case agent and was told no by the man who was the case agent ironic ironic just you know it's wild it's the sort of thing that you wouldn't believe it it takes some gonads to do a thing like that I guess if I do it in Spanish it's more acceptable publicly ah so he was he subsequently became the head of the disinformation program at the Miami station and then ultimately the person who was the filter through which now you can say if he was the filter and he wanted to exclude things what did he exclude I don't know if I knew what he excluded then it that wouldn't be excluded oh that's the sort of dilemma where in the fact that they put him in there did they put him in to exclude things that's early one of the inferences are Scott described him as a man who was knowledgeable yeah at the d-r-e but he didn't tell me anything about that if I had known who he was he would not have been the facilitator he would have been a material witness under oath if not taken by me by one of the other senior counsel and we would have found out that he was the person who was in charge of that the re financing your dr was overwhelmingly from the agency the problem was they were a little too independent and he was sent in as a person to clean this up and we subsidy

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person to clean this up and we subsidy funds out through the information foi a that uh he described what he worked that he did for us as in an undercover capacity really an undercover agent dealing with the congressional committee oh I'm surprised they used the word and we've been tried to find out through the Freedom of Information I'm a co plaintiff with Jeff Morley you've probably heard from him or we'll hear from him later who's been the spearhead for for all of this I've signed a bunch of affidavits and discuss the legal strategy etc and the District of Columbia is no venue to argue about CIA matters and disclosure and the foi a the presumption in the court at least the ones we've had is that you're just crazy and we're not going to bother anybody about it we've incredibly got some of what he did reversed but we wanted to find out what undercover meant and that's part of what the agency has now still held out remember the Warren Commission was was to get full cooperation it was never till told about the CIA mafia plots and I interviewed the staff director and said had you known this would you have done things differently and he said of course that's a conspiracy league we were denied it I mean the Warren Commission was denied it uh-huh the Warren Commission was denied access to the transcripts of recording conversations by the major figures of organized crime I mean the mob because

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organized crime I mean the mob because the Noster mafia whatever you want to call it after Kennedy came in and found out basically the FBI didn't know anything about organized crime he told them to get off their derriere and go out and get some evidence and what the bureau did is they shifted people who previously was doing security work listening the phone's debugging the Communist Party to look at the mob and they did and nobody told the Warren Commission about that and in those transcripts are discussions among other things of should we shoot Kennedy or should we shoot the Attorney General or should we shoot Hoover and people were talking about this regularly so here you have a group that has the motive opportunity and means for assassination my reaction was that and my experience had been in organized crime investigations as the mob would never do it it was too high a risk venture and that ironically here's the word again ironically I could prove they were innocent I have been trying to put those people in jail for years and subsequently that I would go out to prove they were innocent instantly this as an investigative apophysis I could have framed it in terms of whether they're guilty and then see what the transcripts show I thought they would excavate them and if they were exculpated we could eliminate somebody well it's done Thomas puts that I had Blake he had another problem it didn't excavate them but it didn't really incorporate them either I assume that the coverage of the mob was complete it was virtually absent in

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was complete it was virtually absent in New Orleans the agent down there was a man named Kennedy no relationship and he came sat in my office and told me to my face that Carlos Marcello was not a member of the mob or anything like it that he was just a tomato salesman and when he came in the office the liaison with the FBI sat next to him and he literally fell out of his chair when he said that and came back later and apologized to me for it I don't have hard evidence but I think that he may have been compromised with Marcello I don't know that for a fact I do know that after he was transferred or retired don't know which a guy named Pat Collins came down there and he got a bug in on Marcel within a matter of days weeks so it was not impossible to get coverage to Carlos Marcello and they weren't even doing it legally illegally they were doing it illegally and pat was doing it legally with all the paperwork and probable cause and things like that so the absence of surveillance in Carlos Marcello meant that you couldn't preclude you couldn't incopy but it couldn't exculpate based on the surveillance in Chicago over for example I do not believe that Giancana had anything to do with the assassination and the reason I believe that is the electronic surveillance that coverage that they had on him they had him in his weekly meetings in the armory lounge they had him in his weekly meetings adjunctive Gus Alex tailor shop I mean they had coverage of him and he admitted

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they had coverage of him and he admitted involvement in all sorts of corruption criminal behavior including homicide but he's had very few remarks about the Kennedy assassination and no contact with Ruby through the surveillance logs and only comments about ossible afterwards and nothing to indicate that he had any connection to I think Giancana gets a pass and Giancana was the guy that I was talking to Kennedy about before him I am predisposed to find that Sam Giancana is what he was the head of the mob in Chicago but the surveillance of the surveillance exculpate symud exculpating so be it so whatever the evidence is despite the fact that some people think that I went in with a bias and the investigation I didn't I talked to the Chairman beforehand and said look my understanding is that the Warren Commissioner was honest too fair job I read the report I think they're probably right and if anybody thinks the mob did it they don't know anything about the mob I was wrong on both those things and I now admit a change of position let me give you an example of one of the changes of positions for me were there two shooters in the plaza apart from forget forget the appendix I mean the acoustics what did the witness say at the time the Warren Commission did not review the testimony of the witnesses and did not individually assess their credibility tell me why they didn't couldn't have said what they

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they didn't couldn't have said what they did because they were in the wrong place bla bla bla but all the

things you do this guy telling the truth well was he in the position where he could have observed it does he have any motive to lie one way or the other nothing like that was done in fact what it said is there's no this is quote no credible evidence or more than shots from from the depository we'll let me review for you some of the witnesses who said there were two shooters how about chief carry in the lead car how about special agent this is a secret service for our souls in the Khalid car Paul Lin Secret Service agents Paul Lennox and a car behind Dave powers there are at least two couples on the grassy knoll who say that there were two shots about by two shots I mean shots from this direction and shots from that direction confirm the grassy knoll shot there is what I called the perfect witness a man named SM Holland he was standing on the railroad overpass and so he looked down on the assassination he said there were four shots three from the depository one from the grassy knoll area and he said he saw a puff of smoke over there a lot of people say well he wasn't using the blunderbuss so we don't have smoke anymore it depends on how clean your gun is if your gun is not cleaned it will smoke go to any police firing range and that blue haze is smoke so guns do make smoke he said the first shot missed the second shot hit apparently governor kennedy and conally

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conally and then there was a space of time and suddenly there were two quick shots one from the grassy knoll and then one from the depository that hit even ahead that testimony which the Warren Commission made every effort to undermine and he hung in there all the way through without the benefit of acoustics without the benefit of an analysis of the brooder film without any ballistics without any forensics in the looking at Kennedy's body that man had it right absolutely had it right in addition and I don't understand Texans they like the police officers who ran up against the grossie know that's where the shot came from why are you running where the shot came from he went around the other side of the fence to do what to confront somebody with a gun who had just shot the president that's why I don't understand Texas but he did and he found that because there had been light rain in the morning that the ground was still damp and there was evidence that somebody had been standing behind the fence because you could see the the tracks in the mud and that they'd even cleaned their shoes on the bumpers of the cars right next to it the other end there is a police officer coming up with his gun oh no he said you don't know why pulled his gun I know why he pulled his gun because he was going to go face somebody with a gun but he said he didn't know why he had done that but that he met coming out from behind the fence two men and one of them showed him Secret Service credentials so he waved them through there are people in the plaza who remember smoke the smell of

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plaza who remember smoke the smell of smoke is none of that credible evidence that there was a shot behind the grassy knoll I asked you that sass to me like the kind of evidence I would hope for police officers in a place to observe what they are observed testifying in unison on this so I kind of lost confidence in the Warren Commission report on that that one line it's not a report of an investigation of the assassination it's a justification for the conclusion Lee Harvey Oswald did it alone and everything in the Warren Commission report reflects that and you have to know let me for example the Warren Commission wanted to say that Jack Ruby had no mob connections so that one of the FBI agents interviewed a man named Lenny Patrick who grew up in the neighborhood of that Ruby grew up and Lenny Patrick told him oh no Ruby had no connections to the to the mob do you does anybody here know who Lenny Patrick is yes he's a shooter for the mob so they went out and got a shooter and the story as I don't what's entirely true is when Giancana was trying to take over the black numbers routes and other gambling activity in the city that there was a man named Zaki the bookie and Ruby worked for zippy the bookie and he got killed not Ruby but Zaki the bookie and Lenny Patrick went to Ruby and said get out of town and that was the occasion for Ruby moving to Dallas this is the man whose

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moving to Dallas this is the man whose ex scoping Ruby for mob connections it it's somebody who said he had none and therefore it's a footnote but the footnote has no credibility none at all so now what am I going to do well we've since found out that Joanna Dee's was CIA CIA d-r-e and that he lied to us and the agency basically set up a situation where they could edit what we got and why would they edit what we got cover up their incompetence cover up their complicity cover up with therefore nine ah I don't know because I don't know what they cover it up and that's what's now being blessed trail of documents now held in the agency it won't be declassified until I think what is it 1975 or 2027 or some sometime Oh which time I got okay bah I come away with now there's an old rule in the law that if a person lies to you and one thing that's a justification that you can say he lies on everything so my position about the agency is they didn't cooperate with us the affirmative ly made an effort not to cooperate with us and therefore everything that they told us is a lie and all the statements in the report about cooperation is dis false we were had now who are the other people that were had the pike committee was had the Warren Commission was had the House Select Committee the church committee was had the Select menu assassination was had the AAA RB they didn't tell them

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was had the AAA RB they didn't tell them the truth about join eighties so every agency that's made an effort to hold CIA accountable for what they did or didn't do judge their efficiency or lack of it has been frustrated by the agency I've decided that they are a culture of dissimilation who has now gotten to the point where is they don't know the difference between black and white and when they tell you something it's because it serves a purpose they don't tell you the truth they serve whatever it serves their purpose and until you find out what the purpose is you can't trust them which raises a terrible problem in a free society they serve us and as bad as the Congress is bad and I've served both in the House and the Senate they are large liam compotes who are only worried about their reelection but there's a hard core of people in the Senate and in the house and even today I think who are on the merits and are serving us well they are a reflection of us the house in the Senate is a reflection of us we get as good a Congress as we elect and we elect some some good people and some people who shouldn't be there I don't know how they institutionally can check the CIA I didn't and I did everything I could to see that we could do it I see I have about four or five minutes left sure I think I really should give since I have my responsibilities larger than my talk if there are people who want to ask me a question dr. Neumann about anything dr. John Newman please do

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about anything dr. John Newman please do so dr. Lee thank you for coming and sharing that history with us I've just one question on I wonder if are you probably aware of the Johnny D's part two to the Esther lime my shared with Dan and Eddie that he might have also been a case officer involved in the Cobell assassination plot and what would your action to that be this worse makes it worse of course I don't know how it could be worse is it what is the thing you say is worse worse and worse yeah well it takes it off beyond worser he was in charge of disinformation in Miami we got it in the FOIA yeah well good I don't know how it's the five go ahead and I also did Jerry Pollock off from the arc and I wanna thank you for being here as well but you just the case you just made for a shot from the grassy knoll and the credible evidence that supported it I'm very grateful that you did that the Commission or the HSE a also though even in spite of the acoustics determined that Lee Harvey Oswald fired all the shots that at Kennedy and what I want to ask you it very similar to the credible evidence that there were shots from the know Lee Harvey Oswald said he didn't shoot the president he said it was downstairs there were people on the stairs that should have encountered him when he came down that didn't he was seen very shortly after the assassination the second room lunchroom by Roy truly and by officer Baker he described people he saw him lunch room when he was down there who didn't see him but they were there there are at least six people that put him down there and the only person that put him upstairs was Charles Givens who originally said he was downstairs and then changed his testimony and then said

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then changed his testimony and then said he went upstairs to get his cigarettes and there was Oswald but we also have a document from officer Revell that says that Charles Givens has been previously arrested on a marijuana charge it isn't necessarily all right but and just I'm done this is a long question but it's a question yes okay we have five minutes gentlemen the well you know what I'm my question is my question is would you concede that there is credible evidence that even if the shots came from the sixth floor that Oswald didn't fire them and you know make the same confession okay what I would say is if I were defense counsel for Oswald I would have a case that I could put in but I will tell you as a defense counsel Faraz well I would think I was going to lose and if it had been a different Kennedy nobody would have worried about the conviction or whether the evidence was sufficient he'd be in jail somewhere languishing for forever forever Robin with this case as we know know too much about it Ed Lopez so Bob hey so first of all no gotchas for me Bob greatest I'm not going to tell you that you were wrong and I was right okay great so it's great to see you here you and I'm looking so forward to catching up with you later and we really missed you yesterday on our panel because as you know we were going to do a panel with a view from the top and the view from the trenches and it would have been great to have had our back and forth discussion I did want to UM respond though to a question that you posed the at the beginning of your presentation about the use of the word undercover for Johnny D's and to me it's not really that strange of a word because what happened is that we had been getting access to all the documents and all of a sudden this guy is brought in and the whole process changes first only six of us can go into a special

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only six of us can go into a special room second we all need to have a special security clearance others can't go in there third we're controlling what we get and what we don't get in a very different way than before when we were getting access to whatever we ask for forth now we were getting copies that were expedited before they were unexpurgated v we started asking for people back then we would get access to them all of a sudden with him we didn't have access to them so to me whether it was him or Scott Breckenridge or the two of them together now controlling our investigation it was to me an undercover operation okay so I had to make that no I'll buy that it used to work right I just say that you shouldn't have that kind of operation to lead a congressional committees access so good but that's that's I just want to mention that your thing is that I'm I know we were very naive and then I will admit that we were incredibly naive but these two naive guys did say to Bob and Gary at one point that the CIA would only make available what they thought was going to be useful to them in how they wanted the investigation to go and no out of the mouths of babes sometimes ha ha ha ha strong words well said dr. Mann take David Mantic from Jerry Ford's hometown a simple yes-or-no question is the Magic Bullet theory true yes Wow Pat spear well I'll try to give you some of that extensive also we got two minutes um I take it you disagree with what I just said yeah he isn't a stupor that's why beyond the I'll just shock me beyond uh the cia's introduction of Johnny D's into the year investigation there was another problem with the CIA in that CIA agent Regis bleh Hut I think his name was took a look at the autopsy photos and in light of what you know now

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photos and in light of what you know now now know about join Edie's do you no longer think that was innocent no I think he was just stupid quickly please professor thank you for your talk Brian bender with the Boston Globe two quick questions that I think how about one quick answers do we let these people in here how did this well he's not really a newspaper guy okay I mean I just as press credentials it's okay um if you were me or you were the Boston Globe what single document or set of documents would you file a lawsuit for we have filed a lawsuit what you should do is talk to it yeah I represent professor Blakey Eddie Lopez and Dan hard way and my organization the AARC in to FOIA requests that have been submitted to the CIA one is very short and simple the other is comprehensive it has 56 items of the request we go after all of the documents that would relate to undercover operations against Blakey and Lopez and hard way and all records that relate to - David Phillips and enjoyin Edie's and David Murali's it's a an omnibus request but we're trying to first we tested through a very short and simple request the possibility that we can do this successfully is made possible because there is an exception to the CIA

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there is an exception to the CIA Information Act of 1990 of 1984 which specified three categories of documents that would would not be exempt from the requirement from a search and review under the FOIA Jeff Morley met one of those categories the most difficult one when he filed his suit for the joannikius records our but but the the the the requests that have now been filed are made on behalf of of professor Blakey and hard a hard way in Lopez and as American citizens they are entitled to see the operational files on them so think so pardon I say I would think so yes right let me say you're disagree with that so it's by statute it's provided provided in the statute that American citizens can get the operational files on themselves so we will potentially with it they're going to be roadblocks the CIA will fight to the bitter end over this there's no doubt about that last question last question okay quickly if you believe that mob do not just kill Kennedy no I believe they did but not the mob whole the whole mob at the National Commission level you know I believe it was the conspiracy involving at least Marcelo and traffic on day okay what do you make of the increasing number of calls and frequent calls that Ruby is making in the months just prior to this we made a detailed analysis of it it's open to two or three interpretations okay tell us what the three for the interpretation is that he

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three for the interpretation is that he was had a tax problem he needed to pay money he was looking for money and these calls were all the people who could facilitate it a couple ways to get money or to get the Union off his back Union was mob dominated so they're susceptible to that but some of them look like they're troublesome the main reason I think they're not incriminating in the assassination is I don't think ruby was brought in to the process until after Oswald was arrested so ruby is not a pre-assess so pre assassination associate he's post let's thank professor T Robert Blakey for being with us you

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